

# **WE ARE DON BOSCO**



**OUR MISSION GIVES HOPE AND OPPORTUNITY TO  
MILLIONS OF YOUTH AROUND THE GLOBE.**

## Dear Friend & Partner in Mission,

It is with great pleasure that I share with you our Annual Report, which highlights some of the projects we helped fund in 2018. Thanks to you, Salesian missionaries in more than 132 countries around the globe continue to bring life-changing education, workforce development, social programs and critical humanitarian aid to the most disadvantaged communities in the world.

This work began in 1859 by a young priest named John (Don) Bosco, along with 18 other young men who were once poor street children in his care. Their calling was to bring hope to thousands of poor youth and instill in them confidence and the skills needed for a better life. During his life, St. John Bosco served thousands of youth and his legacy today reaches millions—thanks to partners like you.



**FATHER MARK HYDE VISITS CHILDREN AT A SALESIAN YOUTH CENTER.**

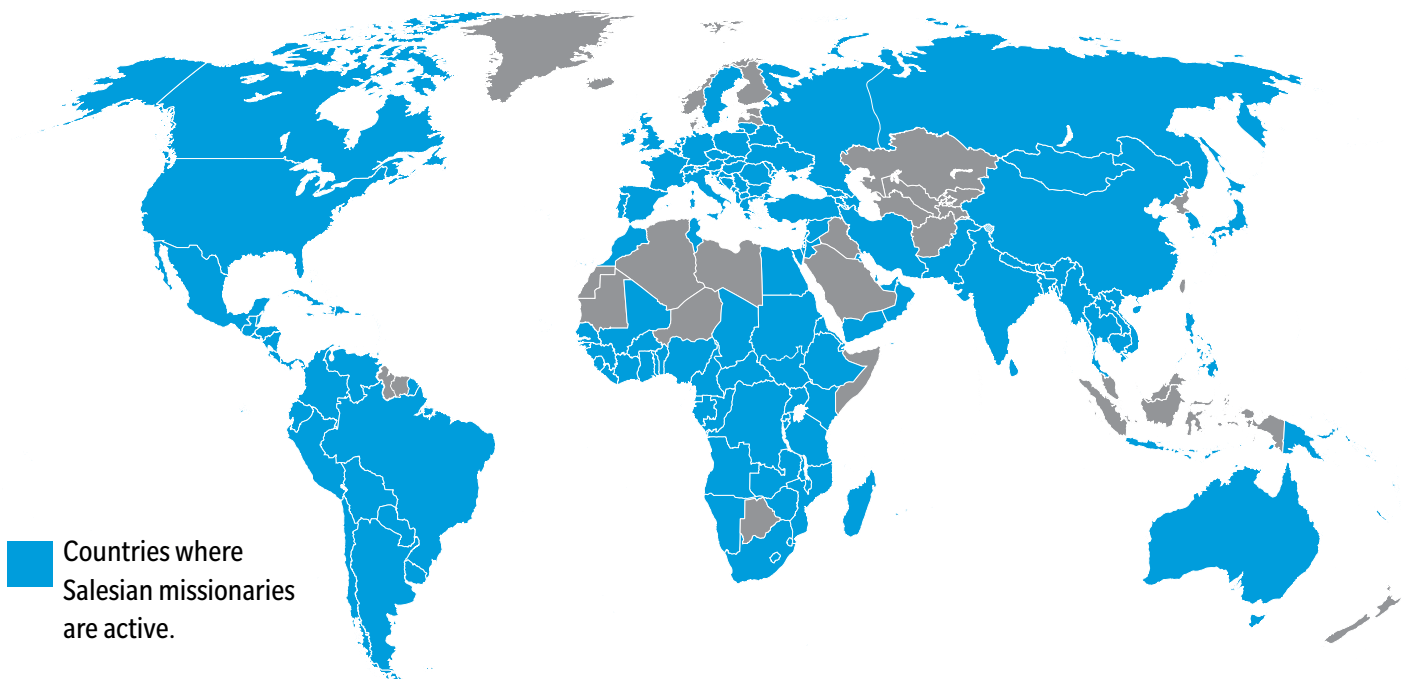
In 2018, donor funding helped renovate and equip new classrooms for an early childhood center in Zambia, provided technology access for 300 students in Guatemala who are studying and looking for employment, and ensured clean water access at our schools and community centers in places like Nigeria, Vietnam and the Philippines through our “Clean Water Initiative.”

Last year, Salesian Missions also helped ensure the safe delivery and distribution of \$10.5 million of in-kind aid, providing impoverished youth with the nutrition, medical aid, furniture, clothing and other supplies to meet their most basic needs.

I know that, together, we can continue to fight the devastating effects poverty has on millions of marginalized youth around the globe. May God bless you for caring.

Gratefully yours,

Father Mark Hyde, S.D.B.  
Director



# GLOBAL MISSIONARY WORK AT A GLANCE

*Salesian Missions is headquartered in New Rochelle, New York, and is part of the Don Bosco Network—a worldwide federation of Salesian NGOs. The mission of the U.S.-based nonprofit organization is to provide support and raise funds to assist needy youth and families through programs carried out by Salesian missionaries. Millions of youth facing adversity have received services specifically funded by Salesian Missions and its donors. Funds are also raised to assist with humanitarian emergencies caused by natural disasters, wars and violence. This Annual Report provides information on some of the projects which received support from Salesian Missions in 2018.*



More than **80** colleges worldwide

Nearly **1,000** vocational, pre-professional and training programs

More than **40** professional degree programs

Nearly **90** adult educational centers

More than **150** clinics, hospitals and dispensaries

More than **330** orphanages and shelters for homeless youth

More than **5,500** schools and youth centers serving more than **1 million** children

More than **40** agricultural education programs

**There are nearly 30,000 missionaries (priests, brothers and sisters) worldwide — many are located in the poorest places on the planet.**

Salesians work and live within the communities they serve. As a result, they:

- Know the local needs better than outside groups.
- Understand the local political and social climate.
- Are able to build strategic partnerships with governments and NGOs (nongovernmental organizations).
- Can quickly respond to emergencies and provide urgent humanitarian assistance efficiently.

## Salesian Missionaries Work in 130+ Countries Around the Globe

### AFRICA

Angola  
Benin  
Burkina Faso  
Burundi\*  
Cameroon  
Canary Islands  
Cape Verde  
Central African Republic\*  
Chad  
Congo, Democratic Republic of the\*  
Congo, Republic of the\*  
Egypt  
Equatorial Guinea  
Eritrea  
Ethiopia  
Gabon  
Gambia  
Ghana

Guinea Conakry  
Ivory Coast  
Kenya  
Lesotho  
Liberia  
Madagascar  
Malawi  
Mali\*  
Mauritius  
Morocco  
Mozambique  
Namibia  
Nigeria  
Rwanda  
Senegal  
Sierra Leone  
South Africa  
South Sudan\*  
Sudan\*  
Swaziland  
Tanzania  
Togo

### TUNISIA

Uganda  
Zambia  
Zimbabwe\*

### ASIA

Bangladesh  
Cambodia  
China  
India  
Indonesia  
Japan  
Korea\*  
Laos  
Macao  
Mongolia  
Myanmar  
Nepal  
Pakistan  
Philippines  
Sri Lanka  
Thailand  
Vietnam

### MIDDLE EAST

Azerbaijan  
Iran\*  
Israel  
Kuwait  
Lebanon\*

Palestine  
Syria\*  
Turkey  
Yemen\*

### OCEANIA

Australia  
East Timor  
Fiji  
New Zealand  
Papua New Guinea  
Samoa  
Solomon Islands

### NORTH AMERICA

Canada  
Mexico  
United States

### CENTRAL AMERICA

Costa Rica  
El Salvador  
Guatemala  
Honduras  
Nicaragua  
Panama

### SOUTH AMERICA

Argentina  
Bolivia  
Brazil  
Chile  
Colombia  
Ecuador  
Paraguay  
Peru  
Uruguay  
Venezuela\*

### EUROPE

Albania\*  
Andorra  
Austria  
Belarus\*  
Belgium  
Bosnia-Herzegovina\*  
Bulgaria\*  
Croatia\*  
Czech Republic  
England  
France  
Georgia  
Germany  
Hungary  
Ireland  
Italy  
Kosovo\*  
Lithuania  
Malta  
Moldova  
Montenegro\*  
Netherlands

Poland  
Portugal  
Romania\*  
Russia  
San Marino  
Scotland  
Serbia\*  
Slovakia  
Slovenia\*  
Spain  
Sweden  
Switzerland  
Ukraine\*  
Vatican

### CARIBBEAN

Cuba  
Curaçao  
Dominican Republic  
Haiti  
Puerto Rico

\* Any goods, services, or funds provided by Salesian Missions to programs located in this country were administered in compliance with applicable laws and regulations, including sanctions administered by the U.S. Department of Treasury's Office of Foreign Asset Control.



# ON-GOING PROGRAMS

## EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Education provides a chance for a better life.

Salesian missionaries establish vital primary and vocational schools in some of the most impoverished and remote places on earth. By focusing on the poorest places and most vulnerable children and young adults, this effort makes a lasting impact.

Globally, the Salesians provide education and support through more than **5,500 schools and youth centers** serving more than **1 million students**.

## YOUTH CENTERS

Functioning side by side with Salesian schools, youth centers offer a safe place for engaging young people in constructive activities during leisure time—such as sports, art and music. Youth learn teamwork and social skills, which provide opportunities for growth and maturity.

## HOMELESS YOUTH

One of the biggest struggles in underdeveloped countries around the globe is the large number of children living on the streets. Salesian programs help to counsel, stabilize and educate homeless youth so that they have more options and opportunities. More than **330 shelters and homes** meet an array of basic needs by providing safe shelter, food and clothing.

## WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

The Salesians of Don Bosco are considered the largest private provider of vocational and technical training in the world. Programs focus on helping vulnerable youth by providing access to educational opportunities that match the local employment needs. Around the globe, there are nearly **1,000 Salesian vocational, technical, professional and agricultural schools**—with a focus on serving poor and needy youth.

## HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE

With its global reach, Salesian Missions is perfectly positioned to aid in emergency relief during times of natural disasters, traumatic circumstances and civil strife. In 2018, special fundraising efforts provided humanitarian assistance for those internally displaced in South Sudan, built wells in drought-prone Ethiopia, helped those affected by flooding in India and more.

## FOOD SECURITY

Sadly, there are more than 821 million people who are undernourished around the globe. About half of them are young people. Salesian Missions food aid programs feed students—reducing child malnutrition while increasing school attendance. Programs also work to improve household food availability through increased agricultural productivity.

In 2018, Salesian Missions helped ensure the safe delivery and distribution of **\$10.5 million** worth of food aid, medicine, and other supplies and equipment donated by partner organizations. These included Feed My Starving Children, Rise Against Hunger, Breedlove, Good360, Asset 360, World Vision and IRN — The Reuse Network.

## DISTRIBUTION OF AID

From donated school buses to rice-meals, Salesian Missions is entrusted to deliver life-changing aid safely—even in very hard-to-reach places. Missionaries living and working in local communities identify the most pressing needs, as well as coordinate the careful distribution of meal shipments and additional supplies when available. As a recipient of the USAID Ocean Freight Reimbursement Grant program, Salesian Missions transports this aid at low or no cost.

## CLEAN WATER INITIATIVE

When basic needs aren't met, such as a safe water source, it negatively impacts entire communities. When children must spend hours searching for water, they cannot attend school. This is why Salesian Missions has made water projects a top priority in the places where schools and youth centers are located. This includes providing new or improved water systems and sanitation facilities—with a focus on creating solutions specific to the local needs.

## REFUGEES & INTERNALLY DISPLACED

By the end of 2018, a record 70.8 million people had been forcibly displaced worldwide. Among them are nearly 25.9 million refugees, over half of whom are under the age of 18. In response, Salesian Missions provides humanitarian assistance—as well as educational programs—for refugee and internally displaced populations. Programs are customized to local needs and operate in both camps and urban settings. In 2018, Salesian Missions partnered with the U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Population, Refugees and Migration for some of these programs including ones in Egypt, Kenya, India (Sri Lanka refugees) and Pakistan.

## HEALTH & MEDICAL SERVICES

Worldwide, Salesian missionaries care for the sick and provide preventative care through more than **150 clinics, hospitals and dispensaries** (many located in rural areas). Both physical and psychological health services can be found in many communities alongside other Salesian programs.

## GENDER EQUALITY

The growth and development of young girls and women is essential for families and communities. They are the backbone of the family structure. By providing women with education and support, families are made stronger. Social outreach programs, childcare support and skills training make it possible for women to have better jobs—and be better able to keep their families intact.

# ON-GOING PROGRAMS

## INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT

In addition to building hospitals, schools and youth centers, Salesians develop infrastructure projects that support both the Salesian programs and the local communities. This ranges from building warehouses and distribution channels to bringing clean water, electricity and internet services to schools and communities.

## CAPACITY BUILDING

Salesian Missions provides capacity-building programs designed to develop and enhance the proficiency of organizations within the worldwide Don Bosco Network, as well as local partner NGOs (nongovernmental organizations).

## MORAL & SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT

Based on the beliefs of our founder, St. John Bosco, Salesian missionaries work with the concept that the only way to truly battle poverty is with reason, religion and kindness. Programs strive to instill good moral values that lay a foundation for a better life.

In 2018, the **Memorial Chapel Program** built **27 chapels** around the globe.

Thanks to the program's generous donors, places of worship were made possible in communities that otherwise would not have a spiritual place to gather and celebrate Mass.

## FORMATION & SEMINARIAN SUPPORT

As the Salesian presence and work around the world increase, so grows the need for Salesian priests, brothers and educators. Our Seminarian and Formation Program ensures that young men called to the Salesian life can train to serve the needs of the young and needy so that St. John Bosco's work will live on.

# SPECIAL DONOR-FUNDED PROJECTS

## AFRICA

### DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO

#### Expanded classrooms & nutrition

Former child soldiers, street children, abused women and single mothers have more educational options at the Don Bosco Vocational Center. Donor funding will expand programs, provide three years of tuition for 250 students and update teacher training. In addition, donor funding is providing improved classrooms at the Don Bosco Vocational Center in Uvira and the primary school Saint Kiwanuka/Kingabwa, along with better nutrition at the Don Bosco Center Ngangi.

### SIERRA LEONE

#### New band with 95 instruments

A new band along with 95 instruments is creating a music program at St. Augustine's Agricultural Secondary School in Lungi. Students choose their favorite instrument and receive lessons, play in recitals and build relationships with like-minded peers. Funded through Salesian Missions donors, the project will help bring relief and healing from the trauma that persists in the country's post-Ebola, post-civil war climate.



## TOGO

#### Upgraded classrooms

New construction at the Salesian Institute of Philosophy and Human Sciences is benefiting 174 students. Akpah Fleur Chimènea, a communications student specializing in multimedia production, appreciates the upgrades and additions to the classrooms that make studying easier. She is grateful for donors who provided new furniture for the classrooms, school equipment for studios and Wi-Fi for internet access.

## UGANDA

#### School uniforms & other liturgical items

Two donations recently supported students attending Don Bosco Primary School in Namugongo. One funded 150 choir robes and items for the church including a monstrance, church bells, an audio mixer amplifier and two microphones. Another donation gave 150 children new school uniforms. Children attending the school are between 7 and 18 years old and are primarily street children, refugees and other vulnerable children.

## ZAMBIA

#### New early childhood education center

A new early childhood education center will provide a safe, healthy learning environment for more than 100 pre-school-aged children in Lufubu. Salesian Missions donor funding is supporting the renovation of two existing classrooms and equipping them with age-appropriate furniture and learning materials. This will provide a strong foundation for future education and a starting path out of poverty.

“The school was not the end; it was rather the instrumental means for improving the way of life.”

— ST. JOHN BOSCO

## ASIA

### INDIA

#### Piano for free musical training

Youth at the Don Bosco Academy of Music and Fine Arts are furthering their music education with a donated second-hand piano. The academy, part of the Don Bosco Cultural Center in the state of Kerala, gives disadvantaged students access to free musical training. Currently, there are 100 students being trained in piano, keyboard, violin, guitar, drums, vocals and more.

#### Counseling center program initiative

Counseling with a focus on marriage preparedness and sound life choices is now available to young adults at the Don Bosco Youth Center in the Krishna district. The new initiative—funded by Salesian Missions donors—will support personnel and materials to implement courses for 100 participants. Programs in India have long provided supportive services to help youth develop stronger relationships and better understand their life choices.

#### Summer camp for street children

A new summer camp serves the educational needs of 150 at-risk and marginalized youth thanks to donor funding through Salesian Missions. The camp at Ongole Don Bosco Center in Andhra Pradesh offers introductory classes such as English and basic computer skills to street children who've never attended school. The goal is increasing youth's confidence and preparing them to better receive formal education.

#### Tutoring to reduce drop-out rates

Poor youth are getting help with their homework along with receiving counseling, recreation and evening meals. At Don Bosco Nagar in Hyderabad, Salesian Missions donor funding helped support evening tutoring centers with a wide range of activities to reduce the school drop-out rate and help to groom contributing members of society. About 500 children have benefited from this program.

#### Sewing machines, computers and training for job skills

Don Bosco Vocational Technical Center—which offers educational opportunities for the underserved Adivasi tribal community—received five new sewing machines, five new computers and funding for training 30 more students. Additional equipment was needed so more students could learn vital job skills and find livable-wage employment. Some programs focus specifically on helping women become financially self-sufficient and better able to care for their families.

## AMERICAS & CARIBBEAN

### GUATEMALA

#### Access to technology

New computers are helping students gain life skills, job training and employment assistance at the Bartolomé Ambrosio Salesian Vocational Training Center in Guatemala City. The upgraded computer lab funded by generous donors benefits more than 300 youth studying carpentry, information technology, industrial welding and milling. Specialized training in skills needed in the current workforce helps students more easily transition from the classroom into employment.

### PARAGUAY

#### Improved sports facilities

Street children will play on renovated sports facilities at Don Bosco Roga, in Lambaré, thanks to funding from Salesian Missions donors. As the current facilities are in terrible condition, renovation and repair is much needed to protect children from risk of injury. Funding will support reconstruction of three new, safe sports courts and the purchase of new equipment for soccer, basketball and volleyball.

*This condensed version of the Annual Report presents a sampling of projects funded in 2018. For the full report, please go to:*

**[SalesianMissions.org/AnnualReport](https://SalesianMissions.org/AnnualReport)**



## 2018 ANNUAL REPORT

This is a summary of our Annual Report. A complete Annual Report is available on our website.

[SalesianMissions.org/AnnualReport](http://SalesianMissions.org/AnnualReport)

Distribution of Funds		\$	%
Mission Programs		37,741,523	82%
Fundraising		5,055,609	11%
Management & General		3,027,950	7%
<b>Total Distribution of Funds</b>		<b>\$45,825,082</b>	<b>100%</b>
Statement of Activities			
SUPPORT & REVENUE			
Public Support		46,686,824	
Federal Funding		755,987	
Investment Income		-1,799,251	
<b>Total Support &amp; Revenue</b>		<b>\$45,643,560</b>	
EXPENDITURES			
PROGRAM SERVICES			
Mission Support		20,828,228	
Religious Ministries		16,092,182	
Government Programs		821,113	
<b>Total Program Services</b>		<b>\$37,741,523</b>	
SUPPORT SERVICES			
Management & General		3,027,950	
Fundraising		5,055,609	
<b>Total Support Services</b>		<b>\$8,083,559</b>	
<b>Total Expenditures</b>		<b>\$45,825,082</b>	
<b>SUPPORT &amp; REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURES</b>		<b>(\$181,522)</b>	
Net Assets			
Without Donor Restrictions		25,400,952	
With Donor Restrictions		57,837,976	
<b>Total Net Assets</b>		<b>\$83,238,928</b>	



## LEADERSHIP

Father Mark Hyde, S.D.B., Director

Brother Bruno Busatto, S.D.B., Associate Director

† 1932 - 2019

Rev. Timothy Zak, S.D.B., Board Chair

Rev. Dennis Donovan, S.D.B., Treasurer

Rev. James McKenna, S.D.B., Trustee

**These individuals also serve on the Board of Trustees. They do not receive any salary or pay.**

Salesian Missions is independently audited by Grant Thornton LLP. For the audited financial statements and report from its independent certified public accountants, or for additional information, please send an email to [info@salesianmissions.org](mailto:info@salesianmissions.org).

## SOURCES OF SUPPORT

### PRIVATE SUPPORT

Generous donations from individual Americans account for most of the aid dispensed by Salesian Missions. These funds are received primarily through direct mail solicitations, and also through online donations. Groups and organizations (both secular and religious) such as schools, community groups, foundations, private agencies and companies (through donation-matching programs) account for the remaining portion of private funding.

### SUPPORT FROM HOST COUNTRIES

In line with the Salesian policy of fostering independence from outside help, Salesian Missions has fostered an attitude of "helping people help themselves." Therefore, we support capacity building and technical assistance efforts that empower local Salesian NGOs (implementing partners) to seek and obtain local funds from individuals, businesses and governments in host countries to support programs within those countries. These funds are not reflected in the distribution chart provided in this Annual Report.

### SUPPORT FROM OUR PARTNERS

Salesian Missions expresses its gratitude to the following nonprofit organizations for partnering with us in our vital life-saving and life-changing mission around the globe: **Feed My Starving Children, Rise Against Hunger, Breedlove, Good360, Asset 360, World Vision, Swazi Legacy Inc and Urban Homesteading Assistance (UHAB) Inc.** Salesian Missions also received foundation support from the **JPMorgan Chase Foundation, DD Lynch Family Foundation, Loyola Foundation, Charles Stewart Mott Foundation, Koch Foundation, FSC Foundation, Leary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton LLP** and the **Sieh Charity and Family Care Trust**.

In 2018, Salesian Missions received assistance from the U.S. government through the **Agency for International Development (USAID)** and its **American Schools and Hospitals Abroad (ASHA)** program and the **International Food Relief Partnership**, as well as the **U.S. Department of State** through the **Bureau of Population, Refugees and Migration (PRM)** and the **Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs (INL)**.

Salesian Missions is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. All donations are tax deductible to the full extent of the IRS codes. Our full financial accountability policy is available on our website.

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